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A new motto: "Don't take care of your health-to excess."

Speaking of strikes, they have never been popular with ball players.

Coal was once used as money. It is nearly worth its weight in gold to-

Nothing but kind words for the hen will do. Fresh eggs are available

That new nickel may serve to teach a careless public that a bison is not a

The air cocktail, with its oxygen flavor, is the most invigorating drink these days.

A New Yorker says that stingy men are always poor. Now, who wants to be poor?

York is \$1,082,662,851. This is also a new altitude record. Though the new nickels are in de-

popular than the old dollar. A 13 cent piece is now recommended. We may yet have 13 cent stores or "superstitious" establishments.

The Chicago burglar who robbed the sheriff's office is entitled to a Carnegie medal for his high attainment.

"Resolved, That the tipless barber shop has been tried and found wanting." By whom, gentlemen, by whom?

Somebody is going to explore the Amazon river, evidently being fired with a desire to discover the terrid

The English poet, who declared that he has supported himself by his poetry alone, has attained a high am-bition.

The color of hair is due to fron. which further emphasizes why advice fails to enter the brains of many

There are better authorities than a Harvard professor to tell us just how many hours of sleep will do us the most good.

There will be more money to jingle in the pockets if the bill for the coinage of % cents in the United States goes through.

Somebody says that there is a general art awakening in America. Yet the low crowned derby persists and even flourishes.

Biological experts declare that the intellectuality of the female is superior to the male dog. But the male dog runs the kennel.

All doubt of progress in aviation is met aside by the fact that an aviator has just succeeded in falling 1,000 feet without getting hurt

A court has ruled that a brass band is not a necessary part of a funeral. Literally speaking, they are "out of tune" with the occasion.

As for the patriotic citizen who is to lead a donkey 4,500 miles across the continent in payment of en election bet-well, two is company.

An Italian count was discovered in the role of a waiter in a Baltimore hotel the other day. Having no other means of visible support, he was kept on the job.

California is to have a "Father's day." The "head of the house" is not being forgotten after all.

"The average life of a \$10 bill is a little more than twelve months." 'That man must live in Philadelphia.

Now Vesuvius shows signs of break ing out. The volcano can always be ended on to threaten an eruption when other big world matters get into the limelight.

A Brooklyn court has ruled that a ndwich is not a meal. The court have been visiting some popular nurant at its busy hour to get data for its decision.

There is no truth in the report that aters will equip seats with Maxim. encers so that, in the event of the pt pleasing, all that is required to turn on the switch.

An aviator in England has made the whing speed of ninety-four miles bour. Such a flight is enough to s away contemporary breath, to nothing of the aviator's.

Too prediction that women will day sweep the streets of New makes it plain that long skirts ig back into style again.

penty per cent. of the films used con theaters are from Ameri-We always contended se couldn't live without us.

New York man in Kansas City his talse teeth to buy some is est. Our guess is that he

## **WICKED PANTHER AND WISE RACOON**

By CALEB B. WHITFORD.

One bright moonlight night a big. vicious-looking panther was sneaking through the cane brake that fringed the heavy timber, growling at every small creature he saw as he moved along. He was gaunt and hungry, and growled at times savagely when there was really nothing to growl at.

He did not like the bright moonlight. He gloried rather in black nights because they suited his purpose better. The peaceful deer were enjoying themselves nipping tender blades of grass and browsing on the young cane. When they heard the panthers growl, they ran away through the woods in fright.

"Too bad," said Father Deer to his The gross debt of the city of New family when they were out of harm's way, "that we cannot all live in peace get a fine supper, and perhaps after in this big woodland and swamp. There is an abundance of food for all of us, and playground enough too, but mand, they are still twenty times less that vicious panther wants the whole country for himself, and if we don't ugly fangs and sharp claws, so we must spend a good part of our lives keeping out of the way of bodily harm. What a fine world this would be if all creatures would attend to their own affairs and not interfere with others."

The panther continued his search through the cane for something to eat. growling and snarling as he crouched and crawled stealthly along. Presently he peered out into the open woods. It was bright out there and that made him growl some more.

"If it was only dark," he said between growls, "I might crawl about through the open woods and catch Just jump up and grab it, then sit some unwary creature and make a meal of him, but in this bright moonlight I fear I will have poor success. There's no use hunting any more to- going on. I saw a hunter hang up night in the cane brake, for every living creature seems to be out in the moon-lit woods. Ugh-I hate this bright light, but I suppose I'll have to go out where the creatures are, or go without my supper. But-hold on-



He Sat Facing His Enemy.

there's a nice fat racoon frolicking under that big beech nut tree! Perhaps I can slip up on him. He's so busy having a good time, he won't know I'm about until I get near enough to him to make a spring!"

Lying flat on the ground the panther crawled along towards the racoon was possible to do so through the shadows of the trees. As he moved forward he noted that the racoon was very fat, and he licked his chops in to have. The racoon however, is nobody's fool. He isn't always asleep when he has his eyes closed, and he never gets so busy having a good time eating or frolicking but what he can take time to look up and see what is going on about him. Long before the panther got near him, he had been discovered, and the racoon ran up a tree. The enraged panther dashed after him and was soon in the tree top crawling out on a limb after the racoon, who had sprung from the branches of one tree into those of another. There he sat on a small limb facing his enemy.

"Why good evening Mr. Panther," he said, "I don't see you out very often on a bright night like this! Come over here with me and let us have a nice friendly chat-look out! Don't try to crawl out on that limb any that the panther would trouble them farther, because if you do it will break and down you'll go and get a hard bump on the frozen ground."

And the little racoon grinned as he thought of his security, and knew how angry was the ravenous panther.

"Go down," he said, "and come up this tree. Really I would like to get better acquainted with you, but I don't like the way you smile at me. Your teeth are very pretty, but it makes me shudder to look at them. And then I can't believe you are smiling in earnest when you are keeping time with that tail of yours. I'll be glad to visit with you, but you sit on a big limb and I'll sit on a little limb out of

your reach." "Why little coon," said the panther. "you must not be straid of me. I rather like you and I would enjoy sit-ting right cless up to you. We could call yo' a lish, sah, what would you tell each other our troubles and sym-do? Mr. Black—"What size cullud pathize with each other and finally be- man, sub?"-Judge,

come fast friends. Lets go down on the ground and talk it over."

"I'm afraid my troubles would be at an end soon after I reached the ground," said the racoon, "besides I don't know that I have any serious trouble to talk about. I try to attend to my own affairs and let the rest of the creatures in the world enjoy themselves. I've had a good supper and when I get through playing I will go to my nice nest away up in a big tree and sleep in peace. Of course I have some trouble keeping out of the way of the big, mean creatures who want to eat me, but that don't bother me much, because I know their ways and have a few little tricks of my own I can play on them when it becomes necessary."

"Surely you are not afraid of me, are you?" said the panther. "Especially after I've told you I won't hurt

"My folks may be a little peculiar," answered the racoon, "but we pay a great deal more attention to the reputation of those we associate with than we do to what they say. That's why we live to such a good old age and enjoy life Your talk sounds good, but your reputation is bad.

"But just to show you I'm a good little coon. I'll tell you where you can you have eaten a hearty meal I'll sit down and have a friendly chat with you. How high can you jump?" asked the raccon.

"Oh, I can leap pretty high in the get out of his reach we will feel his air if there is anything worth jumping after." replied the panther. "But tell me where is this good supper you talk about!"

> "Now I want to assure you, Mr. Panther, I'm not afraid of you, but you might make me nervous if you got too close to me, so if you'll follow at a safe distance I'll lead you to a fine supper." And down the tree came the little racoon, and a moment later the panther followed.

> "When you see me climb a tree," said the racoon, "you come under that tree, and there hanging to a limb you will see a nice big chunk of venison. down and eat until your sides bulge out. You see I caper about in these woods a great deal and know all thats that piece of meat for safe keeping. I don't care for deer meat myself, so you are welcome to it. Perhaps you'll be my friend after this?"

> "Indeed I will, little coon. Its awfully good of you to help me get a meal when I'm so hungry."

> And away they went through the woods, the little coon looking over his shoulders occasionally to see that the panther kept at a safe distance.

"I know," he said to himself, "how he will appreciate what I am doing for him."

And then he laughed at the thought of what he was really going to do to that mean panther. "I'm busy more than half my time," he continued, "keeping out of that rascal's jaws. He prowls around here every night, and all the creatures in the woods are afraid to enjoy themselves for fear he will slip up and grab him."

"Here's your supper, Mr. Panther," said the little coon as he hurried up the big tree.

Now the panther is a pretty sly, suspicious sort of chap, and hungry as he was, he did not make fraste to jump up and grab the meat. He sniffed the ground all around the tree, and not finding the cause for suspecting anything wrong he crouched low and leaped for the meat. As he grabbed it the string with which it was tied to the limb broke and down he came with a fine supper in his mouth, but just as his feet touched the ground, click! went the big jaws of a steel trap!

The trap had been well covered with leaves so that it was not visible, but as soon as one of the panther's hind slowly, taking his course as far as it feet had touched it the panther's leg was caught in its terrible grip. The panther set up such a howl of mingled rage and pain that all the creatures in the woods became alarmed and for a anticipation of the good meal he was time were terribly frightened, but they soon realized that their old enemy was in trouble and they came out to learn how serious it was.

The turkeys flew down from their roosts in the big cypress trees and cautiously drew near to the trapped panther. The little rabbits scurried out of their forms in the thick underbrush and timidly approached their terrible enemy. The deer stopped feeding and came to within respectful distance of the howling monster that had made life miserable for them. Even the smaller animals were awakened and came out to see the savage creature they dreaded so, fast in a trap. The raving and jumping of the panther and the clanking of the trap chains that was fastened to the tree. made all the creatures shiver with fright. But they were rejoiced to know no longer.

"How do you like your supper," the little coon called down from the tree. And then he laughed and said to the panther that he would have to be going home.

Just about sunrise all the creatures were startled by the bang of a gun! The little coon peered out of his nest: "The hunter has come to his trap," he laughed, "and that mean rascal of a panther has gone the way all vicious creatures deserve to go."

All the creatures in that big woods held a meeting and voted that the racoon was not only a wise creature. but a hero as well. (Copyright, 1912, by Universal Press Syndicate.)

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# SMART POKE BONNETS

OLD STYLES MUCH IN EVIDENCE THIS SPRING.

Early Models Indicate That Flowers Are to Be Extensively Used in Trimming-Pleasing Novelties in Ornaments,

The small, quaint poke bonnet is much in evidence this spring. The shape is most often of milan, trimmed with lace and clusters of flowers. One of the models is made of milan. The model fits the head closely, and at the front there is a slightly projecting point. The crown is encircled with a two-edged band of finely plaited shadow lace. At the left side of the crown is placed a small bouquet of buttonlike little flowers. Another smart model is a small Di-

rectoire poke. The hat is trimmed about the crown with flowered ribbon. On each side of the bent brim are placed small clusters of tiny, colored silk fruit and leaves. Flowers are to be tremendously

used, say the authorities, and so the early models indicate. Huge flowers and tiny flowers seem to share the honors equally, and amazingly natural effects vie with flower shapes and colorings that are never found except in millinery, yet lovely, for all that.

High flower egrets are a fad of the season, and are handled in many amusing ways. At their prettiest they are merely very high, spraying clusters of flowers towering loosely above the hat crown. At their smartest they are stiff, spiky arrangements, imitating in line the dashing, simple feath-



Ostrich Trimming.

er trimmings of the winter, and car rying a tailored suggestion absurd in connection with flowers, but piquant, nevertheless. One such ornament used on a pert

little model was made by setting small sized red roses closely together one ra cotta, light and dark Bulgarian and above another, on a quill-like founda- French shades will match well with tion of stiff green grass. The green points rose sharply beyond the point where the flower ladder ended. Tiny flowers are used singly or in

little nosegays or stiff little wreaths rather than in masses, and are often associated with hats trimmed with lace or ribbon or plumes. Velvet and satin are used extensive-

ly in combination with straw. There net frill put in double and in front are crowns of satin shirred into brims of straw, or hats of satin with straw faced brims. One little hat had a row of pearls, and yet there is no hard shirred crown of satin with close upturned brim and was very simply trimmed with a small upstanding brush

ornament or feather of the same shade as the satin crown.

fuchsia satin. At the back of the hat, clothes.

underneath the brim, was placed an ostrich feather dyed the same rich fuchsia shade

The Parisian millinery designers are reveling in gay color schemes this spring and daring geranium of vivid blue or terra cotta or purple is introduced with startling effect.

MARY DEAN. **IDEAS BROUGHT FROM ABROAD** 

Proper Way to Serve Lemon With Tea-Triscuit and Marmalade Make Wafer of Just the Right Flavor.

A woman who has lived abroad for many years, where they make a cup of tea as carefully as they make a cake, says the lemon should never be cut until it is to be used. Have a small sharp knife on the table and cut each slice as desired, never cutting a dishful of lemons to stand for an hour

or even a few minutes. A good tid-bit for the ten table can be made with triscuit and marmalade. Break each piece in two, making thus two small squares, put a row of Neufchatel cheese around the edge and a drop of orange or tangerine marmalade in the center. This makes just the right sized wafer and has a lusclous flavor.

Instead of lemon in the tea, try Maraschino cherry and a teaspoonful of the wine that comes with them. Or another flavor that may be used in tea is rum. This is called Russian tea. One uses no sugar or cream or lemon and just a teaspoonful of rum.-Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Craze for Crystal.

There is no doubt that the crystal craze has come to stay, and that it is daily increasing in popularity, especially where table appointments of every kind are concerned; for one finds cut-crystal candlesticks and flower vases are appearing on all the smartest dining tables this season. Not only are these far easier to keep clean during the winter fogs than their silver and electroplated prototypes, but they add a brilliancy to a dinner table that cannot be equaled. The novelties of the moment are, however, deep cut-glass salt cellars raised on a small stand or foot; these are a craze for dainty table decoration, all the new designs being made after the most beautiful antique patterns, which are specially adapted to match table glass, while glass candlesticks and flower vases can also be had en suite, sets of this description doing much to beautify luncheon and dinner tables.

Gloves for Spring Wear.

With the attractive one-piece gown so much in favor one finds numerous kinds of washable gloves growing in popularity. Doeskin, chamois and a certain prepared leather wash nicely. White gloves of kid with black stitching and embroidery will be first choice, and pearl gray next in fa-

shades will be well represented. Ter-

Novel Neck Frill.

A charming Parisian actress has adopted very becoming neck frills, which she wears on all her gowns. She has the gown cut with a small V and round this she wears a two-inch plisse allowed to fall full. This dainty fashion leaves the throat bare to show a outline such as a severely turneddown lawn collar may show,

root into the rinsing water, and it will give them a delightful perfume of One smart model with narrow tri- violets. This is much more lasting corne shaped brim had a crown of than if a sachet is placed amongst the

### SERVES TWO GOOD PURPOSES | gether at the edges with narrow sar-

Pincushion an Attractive Ornament and May Also Be Used to Hold Postage Stamps.

Our sketch shows a novelty in the shape of a pocket pincushion made to represent a miniature horse shoe, and in the center of the shoe a small pocket is arranged in which postage stamps may be carried.

In making it, two pieces of thin cardboard are cut out, of the shape shown in diagram A, and in size two



inches in width and two inches in

covered with grey silk on which the ering the cardboard.

Between the two sides of the pinlaced, and they are then joined to- dust with powdered sugar.

cenet ribbon sewn on all round. Through this ribbon the pins are inserted. The cushion, when completed. should not be much thicker than a five shilling piece.

This cushion would form an accept able little gift for a man for an unimportant occasion.

To Insert Lace.

To insert lace, mark the pattern in elaborate. Then, with quite strong thread, begin sewing on the lace at the very edge. When it is all in place reverse the work, and still using fairly strong thread, sew over and over on the back side, making deep enough stitches to take in the sewing on the front side; then carefully cut out the cloth. This method obviates the necessity for either basting or machine stitching, and is much easier than using the machine, especially when going around curves. It looks much better when finished, for no stitches show anywhere. Lace applied in this manner will, endure two years' washings without showing any signs of giving way.

Tutti Frutti Bars.

Boil two cupfuls of milk until it These pieces of board are smoothly forms a ball in water and add the stiff whites of two eggs after removnails and the inner side of the horse ing from the fire. Then add a mixture slice have been indicated in white silk, of chopped figs, chopped dates, can and the pocket for the stamps must diel cherries, nut mests, candied also be sewn in its place prior to cov- died cherries, nut meats, and raisins. Beat until creamy and pour into a greened mold. Place under a weight cushion, a thin layer of cotton wool is for 15 hours, then cut into hars and

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